

11th February, 1800.

Read the first and second time, and ordered to be committed to a Committee of the whole House to-morrow.

A Bill

Extending the time of payment of Bonds given for duties of impost in certain cases.

1 Sec. 1. Be it enatted by the Senate and House of Representatives of 2 the United States of America, in Congress assembled, That the term of 3 payment allowed by law, on bonds, which have been given, and shall bedome due, prior to the first day of August next, for duties of impost, may 5 be extended for fixty days in all cases respectively, where it shall be refugired by the parties and their sureties, and where, in the opinion of 7 the collectors respectively, the recovery of such impost shall not be ensured and on the said bonds respectively, interest at the rate of one half cent 10 per month, from the time such duties shall become due and payable 11 according to law: And provided also, That the said collectors respectively, may require such additional security for the payment of the 12 said duties as in their opinions shall be adequate and necessary.